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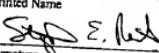
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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2001 (Paper No. 10), please consider the following amendments and remarks. This response is timely as it is accompanied by a petition and the appropriate fee to extend the time for response to April 10, 2002 (three-month extension).

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 7 of page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph: